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REMINDER AS TO PROCEDURES FOR FILING CABLE TELEVISION EFFECTIVE COMPETITION PETITIONS

Cable television system operators seeking a determination of effective competition must file a petition under the procedures set forth in Section 76.7 of the Commission's rules and pay a filing fee of \$1,160 pursuant to Section 1.104(8)(g) of the rules. Although for the convenience of the filing parties multiple communities and multiple cable physical systems ("PSIDs") may be combined in a single filing, each PSID must be separately identified and a separate fee must be paid for each PSID. In addition, each PSID receives a separate file number and file so that an original and two copies of the petition must be filed for each PSID. Further, petitioners should be careful to identify which franchise areas are associated with each PSID. Petitions not containing the correct fee, the correct number of copies, or the identification of franchise areas with PSIDs are subject to return without processing.

In sum effective competition petitions that include more than one PSID may be filed as long as these petitions meet the following conditions:

- A separate filing fee of \$1,160 for each PSID accompanies the petition.
- ➤ Petitioners file an original and two copies of the petition for each PSID associated with the petition (e.g., a petition with three associated PSIDs would require nine copies of the petition).
- The franchise areas associated with each PSID must be clearly indicated on the first page of the petition, or in an attachment or exhibit that is clearly referenced on the first page of the petition.

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